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Re: Final Feasibility Study
Site 08, NUSC Disposal Area
NAVSTA Newport, Rhode Island
July 2012
EPA Concurrence

Dear Ms. Montegross:

EPA has completed its review of the Final "Feasibility Study for Site 08, NUSC Disposal Area," dated July 2012, as prepared by Tetra Tech NUS, Inc., on behalf of Naval Station Newport, RI. The Final Feasibility Study (FS) summarizes the site history, offers remedial action objectives, and develops and evaluates remedial alternatives designed to remediate site soils, groundwater, and sediments. EPA evaluated the Final FS to determine if it was consistent with CERCLA, the NCP, EPA's "Guidance for Conducting Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studies under CERCLA" (October 1998), and other applicable EPA guidance and policies. In addition, EPA evaluated the Final FS for consistency, technical accuracy, and completeness. EPA also evaluated the Final FS to ensure that it adequately reflected the Navy's responses to EPA's comments issued on prior versions of the FS and agreements reached during the comment resolution period. Based on this review, EPA concurs with the Final FS.

EPA would like to thank the Navy for their commitment and perseverance in completing this FS document. This Final FS is reflective of years of effort for site investigation, risk assessment, and remedial alternative evaluation and necessitated multiple rounds of document production, review and comment, and comment resolution. However, the Navy, EPA, and RIDEM team worked collaboratively to reach consensus positions on multiple difficult issues and always continued to move the project forward. This Final FS is a testament to the hard work and cooperation of all the team members.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 918-1754 or at lombardo.ginny@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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